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BALLANCE, Frank W., Jr. (Democrat)  
Representative, 1st District, North Carolina  
Elected 2002 to 108th Congress



### BACKGROUND

Born: Windsor, NC - 15 February 1942

Home: Warrenton

Marital status: Married (Bernadine) - 3 children

Religion: Baptist

Education: N.C. Central University, BA - 1963; N.C. Central Law School, JD - 1965

Profession: Attorney

Military: N.C. National Guard, 1968; Reserves, 1968-1971

Political: N.C. Senate, 1989-2002

Mr. Ballance was elected to the N.C. House of Representatives in 1982 in the 7<sup>th</sup> House District and served two terms. In 1988, he was elected to the N.C. Senate representing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Senatorial District consisting of Gates, Hertford, Northampton and Warren counties as well as parts of Bertie, Halifax and Vance counties. In 1997, he was elected Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

Mr. Ballance has held numerous civic and political positions including past chairman of the First Congressional District Democratic Party, past first vice chair of the N.C. Democratic Party and past president of the Warren County branch of the NAACP. He has also been honored with several awards and recognitions. In 1996, he was selected by the N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers as "Lawyer of the Year" and in 2001, he was presented the Thurgood Marshall Award. He was presented the ACLU Frank Porter Graham Award in 1998. The N.C. Committee of the Legal Defense Fund honored him in 1999. He received the "Friend of the Working Man" Labor Award from the AFL-CIO in 2000, and 2001 "Legislator of the Year" Award from the N.C. Low-income Housing Coalition.

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